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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 8, 2003. Applicants previously paid for 28 total claims, including 3 independent claims. Upon entry of the present Amendment and Response, there will be 69 total claims, and 6 total independent claims. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$498.00 for 41 total new claims, including 3 new independent claims. Moreover, an additional substitute specification is also filed herewith. In particular, both a marked-up version of the substitute specification and a clean version accompany this Amendment and Response. Note, no new matter has been added to the specification. It is believed that no additional fees beyond those cited hereinabove are due. However, in the event that additional fees are due, please debit deposit account 19-1970.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: